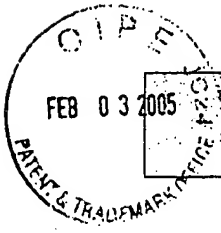


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EXAMINATION GROUP 2175**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:)
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Serial No: 09/672,496)
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated January 13, 2005, in connection with the above-identified application, please amend the above-referenced application as follows.

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